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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No. 15499.172.1

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In re application of

Edward van Nimwegen

Serial No.: 10/052,164

Filed: January 17, 2002

For: GROUND-ANCHORED BASE FOR A PORTABLE
BASKETBALL GOAL ASSEMBLY

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Washington, DC 20231

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SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your Response to Request for Corrected Filing Receipt mailed on June 26, 2002, in connection with the above-identified patent application. A copy of the Response to Request for Corrected Filing Receipt is attached for your convenience.

The Response to Request for Corrected Filing Receipt states that small entity status was previously claimed in this application. Small entity status, however, was not previously claimed in the application.

The application was filed on January 17, 2002, and the application included a Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$1,049.00, a copy of which is attached for your

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convenience. As shown on the Fee Transmittal form filed with the application, Applicant paid a Large Entity Filing Fee of \$740.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a). A copy of the fee transmittal form is attached for your convenience. In order to assert small entity status by payment of a small entity fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 (c), a party must pay the exact amount of one of the small entity basic filing fees set forth in §§ 1.16 (a), (f), (g), (h) or (k). In this case, Applicant did not pay the exact amount of one of the small entity basic filing fees set forth in §§ 1.16 (a), (f), (g), (h) or (k). In contrast, Applicant paid the Large Entity Filing Fee of \$740.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 (a). Accordingly, Applicant did not assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 (c). Thus, small entity status was not previously claimed in the application. Consequently, Applicant respectfully requests a corrected Official Filing Receipt no longer listing Applicant's status as a small entity.

Applicant, however, incorrectly paid the extra claim fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 (b) for independent claims in excess of three and extra claim fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 (c) for claims in excess of twenty as a small entity. Specifically, Applicant paid an extra claim fee of \$309, which is the small entity extra claim fee. Payment of the small entity extra claim fee, however, is not an assertion of small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 (c) because §§ 1.16 (b) and 1.16 (c) are not included under § 1.27 (c) (as stated above, only §§ 1.16 (a), (f), (g), (h) and (k) apply to § 1.27 (c)). Thus, Applicant did not assert small entity status by payment of the small entity basic filing fee under § 1.27 (c). Therefore, Applicant did not previously claim small entity status in the application by payment of the extra claim fees as a small entity.

In addition to not previously claiming small entity status in the application, Applicant believes the error in payment of the extra claim fee by Applicant's previous attorney of record was in good faith and should be excused under 37 C.F.R. § 1.28 (c). In particular, as shown in the attached Fee Transmittal Form filed with the application, Applicant paid the basic filing fee as a large entity and paid the extra claim fee as a small entity. The Patent and Trademark Office originally noticed the error in the payment of the extra claim fee as a small entity and charged the deposit account of Applicant's previous attorney of record \$284.00 as the deficiency owned by the applicant. A copy of the Monthly Statement of Deposit Account for Applicant's previous attorney of record is attached.

The undersigned, who is now Applicant's attorney of record, however, believes that the deficiency owed was \$309.00 and not \$284.00 charged by the PTO. Specifically, the undersigned believes an extra claim fee for twenty-five (25) claims in excess of twenty claims at a fee of eighteen dollars (\$18.00) and two (2) independent claims in excess of three at a fee of eighty-four (\$84.00) should have resulted in a extra claims fee of \$618.00. Applicant, however, originally paid an extra claim fee of \$309.00 and the PTO charged the deposit account of Applicant's previous attorney of record \$284.00. Therefore, the undersigned believes a deficiency of \$25.00 is owed. Accordingly, enclosed is Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$25.00 to correct the previous erroneous payment of the small entity extra claim fee.

In summary, the undersigned believes that Applicant was not previously entitled to small entity status and that the erroneous payment of the small entity extra claims fee was a good faith error by Applicant's previous attorney of record. Moreover, Applicants have corrected the

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deficiency owed by enclosing the Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$25.00.

Thus, Applicant respectfully requests a corrected Official Filing Receipt which does not list Applicant as a small entity be promptly mailed to the undersigned.

The undersigned has made a good faith effort to respond to the Response to Request for Corrected Filing Receipt and to correct payment of the fees associated with filing this application. If any questions remain, however, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

DATED this 9th day of June 2002.

Respectfully submitted,


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RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

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In response to your request for a corrected Filing Receipt, the Office is unable to comply with the request because:

- The articles such as "a", "an", and "the" are not included as the first words in the title of an application. They are considered to be unnecessary to the understanding of the title.
- The words "new", "improved", "improvement of", "improvement in", or "improvement relating to" are not included as the first words in the title of an application because a patent application is, by nature, a new idea or improvement. See MPEP 606.
- The title appears on the filing receipt in sentence case for publication in the Annual Index of Patents.
- Amendments are not accepted in provisional applications. See 37 CFR 1.53(c).
- An amendment or Application Data Sheet is needed to make this change.
- The inventor's residence will only include the city and state for U.S. residences or city and country for residences outside the U.S. (See MPEP 605.02.)
- Continuity claimed under 35 USC 120 cannot be added to the Filing Receipt without the applicant supplying the relationship (continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part) in an Application Data Sheet or amendment to the first page of the specification.

Small entity status was previously claimed in this application. To notify the Office of a loss of entitlement to small entity status, see 37 CFR 1.27(g). To have a good faith error in claiming small entity status excused, see 37 CFR 1.28(c).

The request for non-publication was not timely filed. A request for non-publication must be submitted upon filing of an application. The application is scheduled to be published on the date specified on the filing receipt. See 37 CFR 1.213(a)(1)

The request for non-publication has not been recognized because it is not conspicuous as required by 37 CFR 1.213(a)(2)

The request for non-publication has not been recognized because it does not contain the certification as required by 37 CFR 1.213(a)(3).

The request for non-publication has not been recognized because it is not signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) as required by 37 CFR 1.213(a)(4).

There was no prior request for non-publication in this application. The request to rescind the non-publication request will not be processed.

Your request for non-publication will not be acknowledged because this application is not eligible for publication. Only utility and plant applications filed on or after November 29, 2000 are eligible for publication.

The "Non-Publication Request" indicator is correct. If there was a proper request submitted at the time of filing, the notation on the filing receipt will be "Yes". If no such request was made, the notation will be "No".

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL
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Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT **\$ 1,089.00**

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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 to the above-identified deposit account

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	740		
106	330	206	165	Design filing fee			
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee			
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee			
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee			
SUBTOTAL (1)					740		

2. EXTRA CLAIMS FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	45	-20** =	25	x	9	=	Fee Paid
Ind. Claims	5	-3** =	2	x	42	=	84
Multiple Dep. Claims			0	x	140	=	0

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20			
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3			
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim			
109	84	209	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent			
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent			
SUBTOTAL (2)					309		

*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

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Application Number	
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First Named Inventor	Edward G. van Nimwegen
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Attorney Docket Number	1002.2.88

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath			
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet			
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification			
147	2520	147	2520	For filing a request for reexamination			
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action			
113	1840*	113	1840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action			
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month			
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month			
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month			
118	1440	218,	720	Extension for reply within fourth month			
128	1960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month			
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal			
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal			
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing			
138	1510	138	1510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding			
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable			
141	1280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional			
142	1280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)			
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee			
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee			
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner			
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)			
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt			
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)			40
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))			
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))			
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)			
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application			
Other fee (specify) _____							
*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee						SUBTOTAL (3)	40

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Signature		Date	Jan 17, 2002	Deposit Account User ID	

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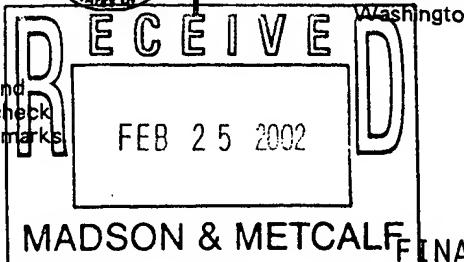
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